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Title

: Automatic Door or Window System

PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.181(a) and MPEP 711.03(c)I

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Sir:

Applicant, by and through the undersigned attorney, respectfully petitions for revival of the above-identified application on grounds that abandonment thereof was unavoidable, or at the very least, unintentional. As the attorney in charge of the application has retired, the undersigned presents the following facts on information and belief.

During a telephone conversation between Examiner Gregory Strimbu and Donald D. Evenson, the retired attorney, on February 20, 2004, Mr. Evenson was advised that the above-identified application was abandoned for failure to respond to a Restriction Requirement mailed July 29, 2003. Examiner Strimbu indicated that the Restriction Requirement was mailed to a previous address (Suite 700, 1200 G Street NW, Washington, DC 20005) although a Change of Correspondence Address giving the current address of applicant's representative law firm was filed in August 2001. Examiner Strimbu confirmed that the Change of Correspondence Address was received. Accordingly, the Change of Correspondence Address does not appear to have been entered.

Examiner Strimbu indicated that the Notice of Abandonment would be mailed to the correct address (P.O. Box 14300, Washington, DC 20044-4300), but the Notice was never received. Status inquiries were filed on March 7, 2003; March 26, 2004; and October 27, 2004, but no responses thereto were received.

Withdrawal of the holding of abandonment is hereby respectfully requested on grounds of non-receipt of the Restriction Requirement.

A search of the file jacket and docket records indicates that the Restriction Requirement dated July 29, 2003 was not received by the undersigned, applicants' counsel. Copies of counsel's docket records for August 29, 2003; September 29, 2003; and October 29, 2003 are enclosed, as the undersigned does not know how many months were provided for responding to the Restriction Requirement. The docket records contain no entry for the above-identified patent application.

No fee is believed due for this Petition. However, in the event a fee is required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-1323 (Ref. # 029209.49872US).

If there are any questions regarding this Petition or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated since this should expedite the prosecution of the application for all concerned.

Respectfully submitted,

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